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DATES: Comments on petitions received must identify the petition docket number involved and must be received by December 2, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on any petition in triplicate to: Federal Aviation Administration, Office of the Chief Counsel, Attn: Rules Docket No. 28641, Washington, D.C. 20591.

The petition, any comments received, and a copy of any final disposition are filed in the assigned regulatory docket and are available for examination in the Rules Docket (AGC-200), Room 915G, FAA Headquarters Building (FOB 10A), 800 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, D.C. 20591; telephone (202) 267-3132. Comments may also be sent electronically to the following internet address: nprmcmts@mail.hq.faa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred Haynes, (202) 267-3939, or Marisa Mullen, (202) 267-9681, Office of Rulemaking (ARM-1), Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20591.

This notice is published pursuant to paragraphs (b) and (f) of § 11.27 of part 11 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 11).

Issued in Washington, D.C. on September 30, 1996.

Joseph A. Conte,
Acting Assistant Chief Counsel for Regulations.

Petitions for Rulemaking

Docket No.: 28641.

Petitioner: Air Transportation Association of America (ATA).

Regulations Affected: 14 CFR 121.417.

Description of Rulechange Sought: To revise initial and recurrent emergency training requirements of flightcrew members and flight attendants and separate flightcrew member and flight attendant emergency training regulations into two distinct regulations.

The petitioner feels that such change would promote safety by increasing flight attendant emergency preparedness through increased current hands-on emergency equipment training and by making more training time available for pilots in areas deemed important by FAA, NTSB, and airlines.

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14 CFR Chapter I

[Summary Notice No. PR-96-6]

Petition for Rulemaking; Summary of Petitions Received; Dispositions of Petitions Issued

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of petitions for rulemaking received and of dispositions of prior petitions.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to FAA's rulemaking provisions governing the application, processing, and disposition of petitions for rulemaking (14 CFR Part 11), this notice contains a summary of certain petitions requesting the initiation of rulemaking procedures for the amendment of specified provisions of the Federal Aviation Regulations and of denials or withdrawals of certain petitions previously received. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, this aspect of FAA's regulatory activities. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion or omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of any petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on petitions received must identify the petition docket number involved and must be received by December 3, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on any petition in triplicate to: Federal Aviation Administration, Office of the Chief Counsel, Attn: Rules Docket No. 28631, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591.

The petition, any comments received, and a copy of any final disposition are filed in the assigned regulatory docket and are available for examination in the Rules Docket (AGC-200), Room 915G, FAA Headquarters Building (FOB 10A), 800 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone (202) 267-3132. Comments may also be sent electronically to the following internet address: nprmcmts@mail.hq.faa.gov.

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Issued in Washington, DC, on October 3, 1996.

Donald P. Byrne,
Assistant Chief Counsel for Regulations.

Petitions for Rulemaking

Docket No.: 28631.

Petitioner: Samuel J. Burris.

Regulations Affected: 14 CFR 121.575.

Description of Rulechange Sought: To prohibit U.S. air carriers from serving, and passengers from consuming, alcoholic beverages on all foreign and domestic flights.

The petitioner feels that such change would enhance safety for passengers in the plane and people on the ground because the prohibition would reduce the number of incidents of offensive and criminal acts associated with the consumption of alcohol during flights.

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14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 95-NM-199-AD]

RIN 2120-AA64

Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model DC-10 Series Airplanes and KC-10A (Military) Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: This document revises an earlier proposed airworthiness directive (AD), applicable to certain McDonnell Douglas Model DC-10 series airplanes, and KC-10A (military) airplanes, that would have required high frequency eddy current inspection(s) to detect cracks in the secondary pivot support of the horizontal stabilizer, and various follow-on actions, if necessary. That proposal was prompted by reports of crack development in the secondary pivot support of the horizontal stabilizer due to fatigue. This action revises the proposed rule by adding repetitive visual inspections. The actions specified by this proposed AD are intended to prevent such fatigue cracking, which could result in reduced structural integrity of the horizontal stabilizer and, subsequently, lead to reduced controllability of the airplane.

DATES: Comments must be received by October 30, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Transport Airplane Directorate, ANM-103,

Attention: Rules Docket No. 95-NM-199-AD, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056. Comments may be inspected at this location between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

The service information referenced in the proposed rule may be obtained from McDonnell Douglas Corporation, 3855 Lakewood Boulevard, Long Beach, California 90846, Attention: Technical Publications Business Administration, Department C1-L51 (2-60). This information may be examined at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the FAA, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, Transport Airplane Directorate, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ron Atmur, Aerospace Engineer, Airframe Branch, ANM-120L, FAA, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office, 3960 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California 90712; telephone (310) 627-5224; fax (310) 627-5210.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

Interested persons are invited to participate in the making of the proposed rule by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications shall identify the Rules Docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address specified above. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments, specified above, will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposals contained in this notice may be changed in light of the comments received.

Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of the proposed rule. All comments submitted will be available, both before and after the closing date for comments, in the Rules Docket for examination by interested persons. A report summarizing each FAA-public contact concerned with the substance of this proposal will be filed in the Rules Docket.

Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments submitted in response to this notice must submit a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket Number 95-NM-199-AD." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

Availability of NPRMs

Any person may obtain a copy of this NPRM by submitting a request to the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, ANM-103, Attention: Rules Docket No. 95-NM-199-AD, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056.

Discussion

A proposal to amend part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) to add an airworthiness directive (AD), applicable to certain McDonnell Douglas Model DC-10 series airplanes, and KC-10A (military) airplanes, was published as a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) in the Federal Register on March 22, 1996 (61 FR 11789). That NPRM would have required high frequency eddy current (HFEC) inspections to detect cracks in the secondary pivot support of the horizontal stabilizer. The proposed AD also would have required repair of the cracked area and follow-on actions, or replacement of the cracked secondary pivot support of the horizontal stabilizer with a new secondary pivot support. Such replacement would have constituted terminating action for the repetitive inspections. That NPRM was prompted by crack development in the secondary pivot support of the horizontal stabilizer due to fatigue. That condition, if not corrected, could result in reduced structural integrity of the horizontal stabilizer; this situation subsequently could lead to reduced controllability of the airplane.

Actions Since Issuance of Previous Proposal

Since the issuance of that NPRM, the FAA has recognized that the repetitive intervals for accomplishing the visual inspections that would be required by paragraph (c)(1) of the NPRM were inadvertently omitted. These visual inspections are an optional procedure that is to be accomplished if any crack is detected during an HFEC inspection, and the cracking is repaired in accordance with the "temporary repair" procedures described in Paragraph (1) of Condition II (cracks), Option 1 (temporary repair), of McDonnell Douglas DC-10 Service Bulletin 53-167, Revision 1. The FAA has determined that the proposed rule must be revised to require visual inspections of the subject area at intervals of 300 landings in order to ensure that fatigue cracking is addressed in an adequate and timely manner.

Conclusion

Since this change expands the scope of the originally proposed rule, the FAA has determined that it is necessary to

reopen the comment period to provide additional opportunity for public comment.

Cost Impact

There are approximately 376 McDonnell Douglas Model DC-10 series airplanes and KC-10A (military) airplanes of the affected design in the worldwide fleet. The FAA estimates that 230 airplanes of U.S. registry would be affected by this proposed AD, that it would take approximately 5 work hours per airplane to accomplish the proposed actions, and that the average labor rate is \$60 per work hour. Based on these figures, the cost impact of the proposed AD on U.S. operators is estimated to be \$69,000, or \$300 per airplane, per inspection cycle.

The cost impact figure discussed above is based on assumptions that no operator has yet accomplished any of the proposed requirements of this AD action, and that no operator would accomplish those actions in the future if this AD were not adopted.

Regulatory Impact

The regulations proposed herein would not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, in accordance with Executive Order 12612, it is determined that this proposal would not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that this proposed regulation (1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under the DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979); and (3) if promulgated, will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act. A copy of the draft regulatory evaluation prepared for this action is contained in the Rules Docket. A copy of it may be obtained by contacting the Rules Docket at the location provided under the caption "ADDRESSES."

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend part

39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) as follows:

PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]

2. Section 39.13 is amended by adding the following new airworthiness directive:

McDonnell Douglas: Docket 95–NM–199–AD.

Applicability: Model DC–10–10, –15, –30, and –40 series airplanes, and KC–10A (military) airplanes; as listed in McDonnell Douglas DC–10 Service Bulletin 53–167, Revision 1, dated February 15, 1995; certificated in any category.

Note 1: This AD applies to each airplane identified in the preceding applicability provision, regardless of whether it has been otherwise modified, altered, or repaired in the area subject to the requirements of this AD. For airplanes that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must request approval for an alternative method of compliance in accordance with paragraph (d) of this AD. The request should include an assessment of the effect of the modification, alteration, or repair on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD; and, if the unsafe condition has not been eliminated, the request should include specific proposed actions to address it.

Compliance: Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously.

To prevent fatigue cracking in the secondary pivot support of the horizontal stabilizer, which could result in reduced structural integrity of the horizontal stabilizer and, subsequently, lead to reduced controllability of the airplane, accomplish the following:

(a) Prior to the accumulation of 10,000 total landings, or within 3,000 landings after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs later, perform a high frequency eddy current (HFEC) inspection to detect cracks in the secondary pivot support of the horizontal stabilizer, in accordance with McDonnell Douglas DC–10 Service Bulletin 53–167, Revision 1, dated February 15, 1995.

(b) If no cracks are detected during the HFEC inspection required by paragraph (a) of this AD, perform the actions specified in paragraph (b)(1) of this AD until the actions specified in paragraph (b)(2) of this AD are accomplished. These actions shall be accomplished in accordance with McDonnell Douglas DC–10 Service Bulletin 53–167, Revision 1, dated February 15, 1995.

(1) Repeat the HFEC inspection thereafter at intervals not to exceed 10,000 landings.

(2) Accomplishment of the preventative modification in accordance with Condition I (no cracks), Option 2, of the service bulletin constitutes terminating action for the repetitive inspection requirements of paragraph (b)(1) of this AD.

(c) If any crack is detected during the HFEC inspection required by paragraph (a) or (b) of this AD, prior to further flight, accomplish either paragraph (c)(1) or (c)(2) of this AD in accordance with McDonnell Douglas DC–10 Service Bulletin 53–167, Revision 1, dated February 15, 1995.

(1) Repair the crack in accordance with Paragraph (1) of Condition II (cracks), Option 1 (temporary repair), of the Accomplishment Instructions of the service bulletin. Within 300 landings after accomplishing that repair, perform a visual inspection to detect cracks at the area of the repair, in accordance with the service bulletin. Repeat the visual inspection thereafter at intervals not to exceed 300 landings.

(i) If any crack is detected during the visual inspection required by paragraph (c)(1) of this AD, prior to further flight, repair it in accordance with a method approved by the Manager, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office (ACO), FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate.

(ii) Prior to 2,800 landings after accomplishing the HFEC inspection required by paragraph (a) of this AD, replace the secondary pivot support of the horizontal stabilizer with a new secondary pivot support, in accordance with Condition II (cracks), Option 2, of the service bulletin. Accomplishment of this replacement constitutes terminating action for the repetitive HFEC and visual inspection requirements of this AD.

(2) Replace the secondary pivot support of the horizontal stabilizer with a new secondary pivot support, in accordance with Condition II (cracks), Option 2 (permanent repair), of the service bulletin. Accomplishment of this replacement constitutes terminating action for the repetitive HFEC and visual inspection requirements of this AD.

(d) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office (ACO), FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Los Angeles ACO.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the Los Angeles ACO.

(e) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on September 27, 1996.

James V. Devany,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 96–ANE–33]

RIN 2120–AA64

Airworthiness Directives; Pratt & Whitney JT8D–200 Series Turbofan Engines

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This document proposes the adoption of a new airworthiness directive (AD) that is applicable to Pratt & Whitney JT8D–200 series turbofan engines. This proposal would require, for front compressor front hubs (fan hubs), cleaning; initial and repetitive eddy current (ECI) and fluorescent penetrant inspections (FPI) of tierod and counterweight holes for cracks; removal of bushings; the cleaning and ECI and FPI of bushed holes for cracks; and, if necessary, replacement with serviceable parts. In addition, this proposal would require reporting findings of cracked fan hubs. This proposal is prompted by a report of an uncontained failure of a fan hub. The actions specified by the proposed AD are intended to prevent fan hub failure due to tierod, counterweight, or bushed hole cracking, which could result in an uncontained engine failure and damage to the aircraft.

DATES: Comments must be received by November 4, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), New England Region, Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, Attention: Rules Docket No. 96–ANE–33, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803–5299. Comments may be inspected at this location between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

The service information referenced in the proposed rule may be obtained from Pratt & Whitney, 400 Main St., East Hartford, CT 06108; telephone (860) 565–6600, fax (860) 565–4503. This information may be examined at the FAA, New England Region, Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert E. Guyotte, Manager, Engine Certification Branch, Engine and Propeller Directorate, 12 New England Executive Park, Burlington, MA 01803–5299; telephone (617) 238–7142, fax (617) 238–7199.